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DOYLE ANNOUNCES COUNTY'S AIRPORT FACILITY Y2K READY!

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today joined Director of Monroe County's Greater Rochester International Airport (GRIA), Terry Slaybaugh, in announcing that the airport facility is fully Y2K compliant and ready to meet travelers needs today and throughout the upcoming new year.

"Monroe County residents can be confident that computer sensitive equipment at the airport has been fully Y2K prepared and that the high quality of facility services to which they are accustomed will continue into the new millennium," said Doyle.

"I applaud the staff at the airport who have done an outstanding job reviewing the Y2K issue and for their work to ensure that the facility can provide the convenience and comforts travelers have come to expect," said Slaybaugh.

The responsibility for the Greater Rochester International Airport's mission critical Y2K readiness depends on 3 distinct authorities; The Federal Aviation Administration responsibilities, Airline responsibilities, and the County's GRIA administration.

GRIA's responsibilities include: airfield lighting systems, security access control equipment, fire alarm systems, terminal facility systems, terminal environmental systems (lighting, heating, air conditioning), and power backup systems.

"We are confident our partners, the airlines and the FAA, are as prepared as we are," said Slaybaugh. "Together we will do a great job of accommodating travelers over the upcoming holidays."

The Federal Aviation Administration is responsible for air traffic control and navigational systems. The Airlines flying in and out of the airport are responsible for individual aircraft, security checkpoint systems, and baggage systems.

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Today's announcement concludes a series of public symposiums and press conferences initiated by the County to reassure and educate residents about the nature of Y2K and the diligence undertaken by their officials to take every precaution.

In addition to its emergency contingency plans, Monroe County's emergency operations center will be staffed on New Year's Eve to address any Y2K related issues.

"The most memorable thing we should all think about this New Year's eve is the historic reality of leaving behind the incredible legacy of the past one-hundred years. Our community glows with the benefits of technology brought to us by our parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents and we should marvel at the miracles they have left us; in health and medicine, transportation, engineering, and communications. And though mesmerized by the accomplishments of the past, this New Years eve we will stand poised and ready for the possibilities of the future."

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